

# Title III Support for English Language Learners

## Title III LEP Application VS Title III Consortium Application

- Must have \$10,000 to apply
- Eligible to join a consortium, if desired
- District/Charter acts as Fiscal Agent
- Required document:
  1. *Title III Additional Assurances*
- District/Charter is responsible for its Continuous Improvement Plan

- Must join a consortium if allocation is less than \$10,000
- Fiscal Agent may be a District, Charter or County Agent
- Required documents:
  1. *Title III Consortium – Participating LEA Member*
  2. *Title III Consortium – Lead LEA/ Fiscal Agent*
- Fiscal Agent shall maintain accurate bookkeeping records to separately identify each LEA member's budget
- Each LEA member is responsible for its district's/charter's Continuous Improvement Plan

### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Title III funds are entitlement funds. They are determined using a formula based on the number of English language learners enrolled and participating in a district or charter's language instruction program.

### APPLYING FOR TITLE III FUNDS

Funding applications are submitted through the Grants Management Enterprise (GME) System in ADE Connect.

### FEDERAL COMPLIANCE COMPONENTS

- Provide high-quality language instruction programs to limited English proficient (LEP) children. NCLB, SEC. 3115
- Provide high-quality professional development to classroom teachers and district staff responsible for the instruction of LEP children . NCLB, SEC. 3115
- Submit a plan describing the programs and activities proposed to be developed, implemented, and administered with Title III funds. (Continuous Improvement Plan in ALEAT) NCLB, SEC. 3116

### FISCAL MANAGEMENT

- Maintain accurate records of Title III approved budget requests, expenses for reimbursement, and final expenses.

### SUPPLEMENT, NOT SUPPLANT

- Supplemental = ABOVE AND BEYOND, not more of the same  
All Title III budget requests must be in addition to programs, services, and supplies which are being provided to non-ELL students.
- Supplanting exists if...
  - ...the LEA uses Title III funds for services/programs required to be offered by other Federal, State, and local laws.
  - ...Title III funds are used for programs and services previously funded with Federal, State, or local funding.



Federal requirements limit spending for administration to 2% of the original award amount.

With the exception of expired funds, 100% of unspent Title III funds may be carried over to the next fiscal year's budget.

Title III funds have a 27 month lifespan which begins the first day of the fiscal year in which they were awarded.

Title III funds are intended for SUPPLEMENTAL programs and services related to improving language instruction for English language learners.